

REMARKS

Claims 8–22 were presented for examination. Claims 8–12 were allowed. Claims 13 and 17–22 were rejected. Claims 14–16 were objected to as allowable but dependent on a rejected base claim. Claim 14 has been rewritten as an independent claim incorporating the limitations of claim 13, from which it depended. Claims 17 and 18 have been amended to depend from claim 14. Claims 19–22 have been cancelled. It is believed that these amendments place all claims, *i.e.*, claims 8–12 and 14–18 in condition for allowance. A notice of allowance is therefore respectfully requested.

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